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## MEETING NOTICE

### Advisory Commission on Charter Schools

*An advisory body to the State Board of Education*

**Thursday, February 19, 2004**

10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.±

**Friday, February 20, 2004**

9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. ±

#### Commission Members

- Mark Kushner, Chair
- Vicki Barber
- Steve Barr
- Tom Conry
- Beth Hunkapiller
- Michael D. Piscal
- Marta Reyes\*
- Johnathan Williams
- Vacant

\*Representative of the State  
Superintendent of Public  
Instruction

[This meeting will not begin before 10:00 a.m. on Thursday and 9:00 a.m. on Friday. However, because it is impossible to predict how long individual matters will need for consideration, the meeting may end somewhat before or somewhat after 5:00 p.m. on Thursday and 4:00 p.m. on Friday.]

### **California Department of Education Building**

**1430 N Street, Room 1101  
Sacramento, California 95814**

## AGENDA

Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions (as necessary)

Organizational Matters (as necessary)

Review/Re-ordering of the Meeting Agenda (as necessary)

Public Comment\*

The primary areas of focus of the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools at this meeting are anticipated to be as follows. The actual allocation of time and order of consideration will be decided at the meeting. The following matters are anticipated to be considered before the lunch recess:

- 2003-04 (and beyond) determination of funding requests.
- Consideration of the Ridgecrest Charter School petition for renewal by the State Board of Education.
- Consideration of the Waterman Charter Academy petition for chartering by the State Board of Education.
- Discussion of other matters of interest to the Advisory Commission.

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\* Time(s) will be set aside for public comment at this meeting. Depending on the situation, and at the direction of the presiding officer, public comment may be entertained as appropriate at the beginning of, during, and/or at the end of the meeting. Reasonable limits will be placed on the amount of time allowed for individual comments.

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In addition to the foregoing, the Advisory Commission on Charter Schools hereby provides notice that it reserves the right to consider and make recommendations at this meeting concerning other areas of the State Board of Education's authority with respect to charter schools which include but are not limited to:

- Taking appropriate action, including, but not limited to, revocation with respect to State Board-granted and locally-granted charters under specific circumstances set forth in statute.
- Jointly with the State Superintendent, approving districtwide charter petitions when those petitions are determined to be satisfactory.
- Developing and adopting regulations to implement various provisions of the *Charter Schools Act of 1992* (Part 26.8 of the Education Code, commencing with Section 47600).
- Approving or denying requests to waive otherwise applicable provisions of law based upon requests submitted by charter schools and other local education agencies.
- Assigning numbers to charter school petitions to ensure that the statutory cap on the number of charter schools is not exceeded.

### **Future Meeting Schedule.**

The Advisory Commission on Charter Schools may schedule (and amend its announced schedule for) future meetings as it deems necessary.

#### **THE ORDER OF BUSINESS MAY BE CHANGED WITHOUT NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that the order of consideration of matters on this agenda may be changed without prior notice.

#### **REASONABLE LIMITATIONS MAY BE PLACED ON PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

The Advisory Commission's presiding officer reserves the right to impose reasonable time limits on public testimony to ensure that the agenda is completed.

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS MAY BE MADE**

Notice is hereby given that, consistent with the requirements of the *Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act*, special presentations not mentioned in the agenda may be made at this meeting. However, any such presentation will be for information only.

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#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

For more information concerning this agenda, please contact Deborah Connelly in the Charter School Division, at 1430 N Street, Room 5401, Sacramento, CA 95814; telephone (916) 322-6029; fax (916) 323-1465; [dconnell@cde.ca.gov](mailto:dconnell@cde.ca.gov). This notice appears on the State Board of Education's Web site: [www.cde.ca.gov/board/](http://www.cde.ca.gov/board/).

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